



Application No. 09/586,530

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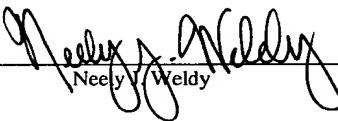
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of) Docket No. LAM2P282
Ni et al.)
Application No. 09/586,530) Group Art Unit: 1765
Filed: May 31, 2000) Examiner: V. Perez-Ramos
For: ETCH ENDPOINT DETECTION) Date: September 12, 2002

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
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Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2002. Please amend this application as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for determining an endpoint for etching a layer, comprising:
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selecting an etch endpoint; and, during etch,

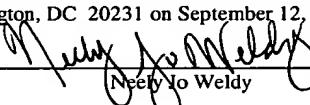
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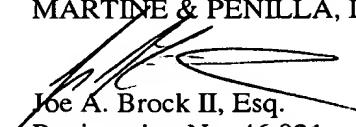
Applicant hereby transmits an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After <u>Amendment</u>	Highest Previously <u>Paid For</u>	Present <u>Extra</u>	SMALL ENTITY <u>RATE FEE</u>	OR	LARGE ENTITY <u>RATE FEE</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>15</u> -	<u>20</u>	<u>00</u>	X09 = \$	OR	X18 = \$
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>02</u> -	<u>03</u>	<u>00</u>	X40 = \$	OR	X80 = \$
[] Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid				\$135		\$270
			TOTAL	\$ _____		\$0

- Applicant believes that no Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805
- If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P282). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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